

Receipt date: 08/28/2008

Doc code :IDS

Doc description: Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Filed

10769532 - GAU: 3774

PTO/SB/08a (08-08)

Approved for use through 08/31/2008. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)	Application Number		10769532	
	Filing Date		2004-01-30	
	First Named Inventor	Robert G. Whirley		
	Art Unit	3738		
	Examiner Name	Thomas Sweet		
	Attorney Docket Number	1880-17 RCE III		

U.S.PATENTS							Remove
Examiner Initial*	Cite No	Patent Number	Kind Code ¹	Issue Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	
	1						

If you wish to add additional U.S. Patent citation information please click the Add button.

Add

U.S.PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATIONS							Remove
Examiner Initial*	Cite No	Publication Number	Kind Code ¹	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	
	1						

If you wish to add additional U.S. Published Application citation information please click the Add button.

Add

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								Remove
Examiner Initial*	Cite No	Foreign Document Number ³	Country Code ² i	Kind Code ⁴	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁵
	1	03032869	WO		2003-04-24	Scimed Life Systems, Inc.		<input type="checkbox"/>
	2	0152914	WO		2001-07-26	Impra Inc.		<input type="checkbox"/>
	3	03043539	WO		2003-05-30	Scimed Life Systems, Inc.		<input type="checkbox"/>

/Thomas J Sweet/ (09/25/2008)

ALL REFERENCES CONSIDERED EXCEPT WHERE LINED THROUGH. /TJS/

Receipt date: 08/28/2008

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**
(Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)

Application Number	10769532	10769532 - GAU: 3774
Filing Date	2004-01-30	
First Named Inventor	Robert G. Whirley	
Art Unit	3738	
Examiner Name	Thomas Sweet	
Attorney Docket Number	1880-17 RCE III	

	4	9939662	WO		1999-08-12	Triad Vascular Systems, Inc.		<input type="checkbox"/>
--	---	---------	----	--	------------	------------------------------	--	--------------------------

If you wish to add additional Foreign Patent Document citation information please click the Add button **Add****NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS****Remove**

Examiner Initials*	Cite No	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc), date, pages(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ⁵
	1	Supplemental Search Report for a counterpart foreign application dated July 23, 2008	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you wish to add additional non-patent literature document citation information please click the Add button **Add****EXAMINER SIGNATURE**

Examiner Signature	/Thomas J Sweet/ (09/25/2008)	Date Considered	
--------------------	-------------------------------	-----------------	--

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through a citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.USPTO.GOV or MPEP 901.04. ² Enter office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ³ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁴ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁵ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.